

Noarlunga Model Railroaders Inc. Newsletter

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Right On Track

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Due to the demise of our former editor from the committee, newsletters have been scarce. It is just a lesson that sometimes we don't realise what we have until we don't have it, and that is a reality of life. There are a few things happening that I thought everyone should be aware of and I hope that this suffices as a newsletter for the time being.

OPEN DAY & SWAP MEET

Sunday 6th November 2011
10.00 AM - 1.00 PM

NMRI Clubrooms

Numbers will be limited by available space. \$20.00 per 1800 mm x 750 mm table (supplied) or take advantage of the early bird discount, \$10.00 if paid in advance. Bookings events@noarail.com
Public entry at 10.00 am Admission: \$3.00

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

To be held Saturday 29th November commencing at 1.30 pm at the clubrooms.

The following positions will be declared vacant

President

Treasurer

Two Committee Members

Nomination forms are available at the clubrooms.

The Constitution will be voted on, only 2011 - 2012 financial members can vote.

OAKLANDS RESIDENTIAL CARE VISIT

Sunday 30th October

We have been invited to display Paradigm at Oaklands Residential Care - 2 Jean Street.

We hope to see many members attend another of these rewarding visits, please put your name on the list.

Ninth Biennial NMRI Exhibition 2012

We have booked Seaview High School for our exhibition on 28th - 30th September 2012. We managed to work with the facilities there, and they were happy to accommodate us again. There was a glimmer of a chance to return to Mitsubishi, but enquiries this week revealed the canteen will be demolished in stage 1 of the redevelopment, and this could clash with our date. A shame to see the largest community venue in the south lost.

CHRISTMAS DINNER

Christmas dinner this year will be held at Fresh Choice on Saturday 26th November at 6.00 p.m.
\$22.50 payable on the night, please add your name to the list so the booking can be confirmed.

MANY, MANY THANKS,

It would be unfair to name and specify, but if you have done something out of the ordinary recently, or donated something useful at the club to enhance our surroundings and make it more comfortable, be assured it has not gone unnoticed. It is these little acts of thoughtfulness that make our club the special place it is.

ELECTRICAL WORK

We've had the sparkies in seeing to some much needed electrical work and upgrading. We've had a couple of extra circuits installed and some things shifted around in the power box to cure some of the little gremlins we were suffering. The biggest job undertaken was to add power circuits to the toilets which now feature automatic electric hand dryers.

Other minor tasks included some additional power outlets around our TV, computer, and even a dedicated point for the phone, along with much tidying of the cabling in these areas. Hopefully the power boards stacked around there will now be a thing of the past. Importantly this will also mean that the cordless phone cannot be inadvertently turned off, flattening the battery and preventing calls. From preventing accidental switch offs to preventing accidental leave ons, the power point for the hot water system in the kitchen has been swapped to one that features a red neon when the power is turned on. This will make it much clearer to the last people leaving and provide an indication to them to switch it off.

Finally, Grumpy will be kept less Grumpy since the light above the modelling desk has been hardwired in, meaning that regardless of demands on the power points near there, he'll always have enough light to draw corrugations on cardboard, and build Red Hens.

CONSTITUTION

Thanks to a couple of members and the committee, the constitution has been reviewed and every member will receive a mailed copy for voting on at the AGM.

WENTWORTH RESIDENTIAL CARE

Our visit to Wentworth Residential Care (formally Warekila Lodge) at Aberfoyle Park was a great success. The staff, residents and families were very enthusiastic and sent us a glowing report of the day, expressing a desire to have us there again. They put on a great lunch for us and a never ending afternoon tea of delicious cakes.

SAUSAGE SIZZLES

We are pleased that after the "personal approach" a few members have indicated they will be happy to go on an emergency list to be contacted when a team has someone sick or on holiday. Until now when this happens we have had to ask a regular to step up and do an extra week or two which has become tiresome for those involved. Thank you to the new volunteers, and to anyone else who is able to help in this way. It has always been unfair that our band of sizzlers spend their time raising money for the club, and everyone reaps the benefit.

REYNELLA FAIR

Unfortunately we have been advised by the Noarlunga - Morphett Vale Lions Club that there will be no Reynella Fair this year. This has always been our major fundraiser and something we will struggle to replace. I have heard that the Reynella Traders Association is considering a street parade but what it involves and whether we can benefit I haven't heard.

BEDFORD INDUSTRIES

This week the folk from Bedford came to collect the layout that we have donated to them. They are from the sensory development group, and have invited us to visit them and help with their setup.

MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS

Memberships are once again due for renewal. Invoices will be sent or handed out shortly, please see the Membership Manager, or any Committee Member to pay. Subscriptions are payable by October 1.

Judith Morley
Treasurer.